

REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-30 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting for being unpatentable over claims 1-46 of Mitsui (U.S. Patent No. 6,985,626) in view of Takahashi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,061,283). No other rejections were made.

In response to the above listed rejection, Applicant submits a Terminal Disclaimer, thus overcoming the rejection. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the double patenting rejections and allow claims 1-30.


In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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